Erin Burns Biography

Erin Burns is the Director of Policy at Carbon180, a climate NGO focused on carbon removal. There she works with scientists, entrepreneurs, academics, and policymakers to create and inform federal policy on carbon capture, removal, and use. Previously, she worked in the Senate where she handled energy, environment, labor, and agricultural issues, including staffing for the Energy and Natural Resources Committee and the Public Lands Subcommittee. She also worked at Third Way, a DC-based think tank, managing carbon capture and removal, innovation, and other clean energy policy advocacy. A native of southern West Virginia, she has worked on issues related to coal worker and coal community transitions throughout her career. She holds a degree in Cultural Anthropology from Carnegie Mellon University.